

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Toshiaki OOE et al.

Title: NITROGEN OXIDE REDUCING
SYSTEM FOR DIESEL ENGINE
AND NITROGEN GAS
GENERATING DEVICE

Appl. No.: Unknown

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Art Unit: Unknown

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Box PATENT APPLICATION
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 5, line 2, delete "or 4".

Claim 6, line 2, delete "or 4".

Claim 7, line 2, delete "or 4".

Claim 9, line 2, delete "any one of 1 to 4" and insert --1--.

Claim 10, line 2, delete "or 4".

Claim 13, line 2, delete "or 12".

Claim 14, line 2, delete "or 12".

Claim 15, line 2, delete "or 12".

REMARKS


Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments to Claims 5-7,9-10 and 13-15 be entered in order to avoid this application incurring a surcharge for the presence of one or more multiply dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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